

# *Executive Proclamation*

## *State of South Dakota*

## *Office of the Governor*

*Whereas*, Sergeant First Class Anthony J. Donovan's dedication to service has made him a valuable asset to this state and country; and,

*Whereas*, We have very few occasions to recognize these patriotic individuals for their service to this state and country; and,

*Whereas*, Sergeant First Class Donovan has devoted more than 20 years of his life to the service of this state and country as a Platoon Sergeant and leader in the Field Artillery, including service in Iraq in support of Operation Iraqi Freedom and many state activations in support of flood and blizzard operations; and,

*Whereas*, His loyalty and leadership have made him a cornerstone in the Armed Forces of this country; and,

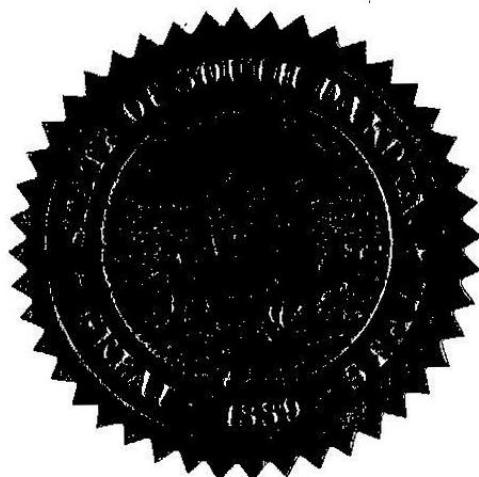
*Whereas*, Sergeant First Class Donovan continues to give of himself; and,

*Whereas*, It is fitting and proper as Governor to commend Sergeant First Class Anthony J. Donovan for more than 20 years of dedicated and outstanding service to this state and country:

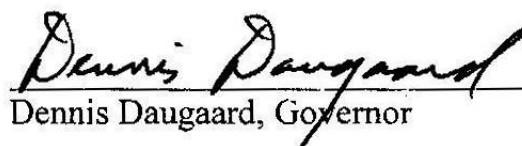
***Now, Therefore, I, Dennis Daugaard***, Governor of the state of South Dakota, do hereby proclaim December 10, 2011, as

### ***SERGEANT FIRST CLASS ANTHONY J. DONOVAN DAY***

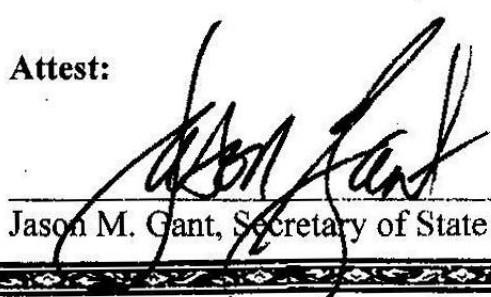
in South Dakota, and I join with his family and friends in wishing him well in his retirement and thanking him for his service to the state of South Dakota and to the United States.



*In Witness Whereof*, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the state of South Dakota, in Pierre, the Capital City, this Eighteenth Day of November in the Year of Our Lord, Two Thousand and Eleven.

  
Dennis Daugaard,  
Governor

Attest:

  
Jason M. Gant,  
Secretary of State